

House Resolution No. 4036

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives are delighted to honor an outstanding Missourian who has witnessed dramatic changes in America during her sojourn on this most precious earth; and

Whereas, Dorothy Bekebrede will commemorate the resplendent occasion of her Ninetieth Birthday on September 25, 2003; and

Whereas, on September 25, 1913, at Cave Springs in St. Charles, Missouri, God brought one of three special gifts to Fred and Anna Bekebrede with the birth of an adorable infant by the name of Dorothy, who would put a twinkle in their eyes and fill their hearts with love and joy; and

Whereas, while celebrating her birthday, Dorothy Bekebrede will have the opportunity to reminisce about some of the significant events in her life, such as marrying Vernon Bekebrede on October 5, 1932, giving birth to four wonderful children, and finding love a second time when she was wed on May 11, 1956, to Harry Mitchell (deceased); and

Whereas, God has blessed Dorothy Bekebrede with the love and affection of a wonderful family whose members include four daughters, Carol, Janice, Joan, and Cheryl; three step-children, Larry, Tom, and Lorna; eighteen grandchildren; twenty-seven great-grandchildren; and five great-great grandchildren; and

Whereas, Dorothy Bekebrede offered her children boundless emotional support, guidance, and understanding which enhanced their lives in many ways and enabled them to become responsible citizens with families of their own; and

Whereas, at the respectful age of 90, Dorothy Bekebrede is extremely grateful for the countless blessings she has received throughout the course of her long and eventful life:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations and special birthday greetings to at this significant milestone and in wishing her peace and contentment as she continues to enjoy her golden years; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Missouri nonagenarian Dorothy Bekebrede, as a measure of our esteem for her.

Offered by _____
Representative Vicki A. Schneider
District No. 17

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4036, adopted September 11, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker